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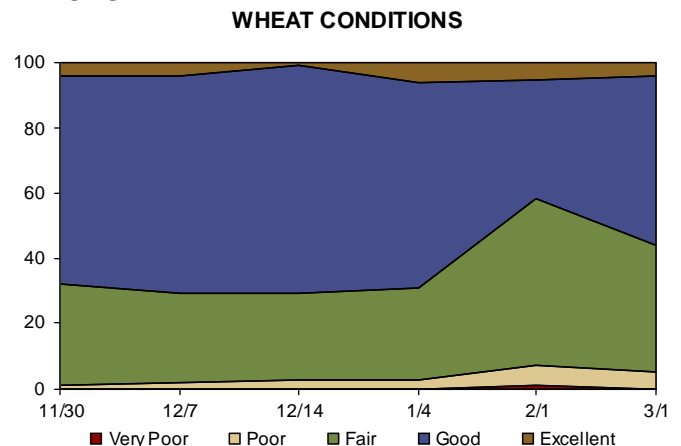
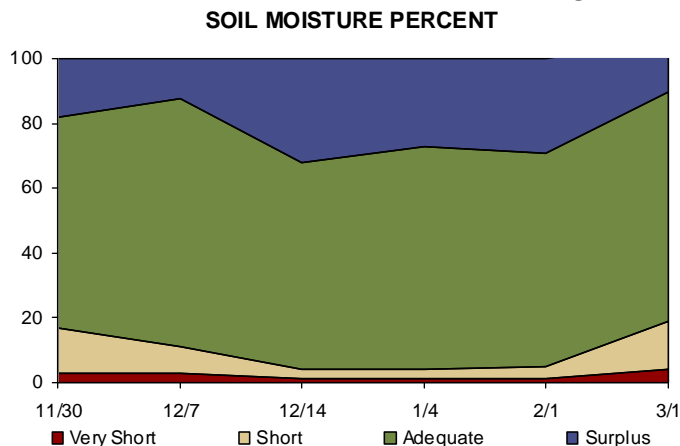


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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2009

GENERAL: Most of North Carolina received rain during the last week of February, ranging from no rain in several cities to 2.3 inches in Hatteras (precipitation totals are for February 22 through February 28 at 7 pm). Temperatures were slightly below normal for the week. There were 5.1 days suitable for field work for the week ending March 1, compared to 3.5 for the week ending February 1. Statewide soil moisture levels are rated at 4% very short, 15% short, 71% adequate, and 10% surplus. Activities during the month included land preparations and field applications, planting Irish potatoes and cabbage, and tending to livestock.

STATEWIDE CONDITIONS



CROP PROGRESS PERCENT - WITH COMPARISONS

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
PLANTED:				
Cabbage	15	0	18	13
Irish Potatoes	13	0	13	10

TOPSOIL MOISTURE PERCENT

Region	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
State	4	15	71	10
Mountain	13	33	54	0
Piedmont	6	23	70	1
Coastal	0	7	77	16

CROP CONDITION PERCENT

	VP	P	F	G	EX
Barley	0	7	27	65	1
Oats	0	1	31	66	2
Rye	0	1	15	80	4
Wheat	0	5	39	52	4
Pasture	14	17	33	35	1

VP = Very Poor P = Poor F = Fair G = Good EX = Excellent

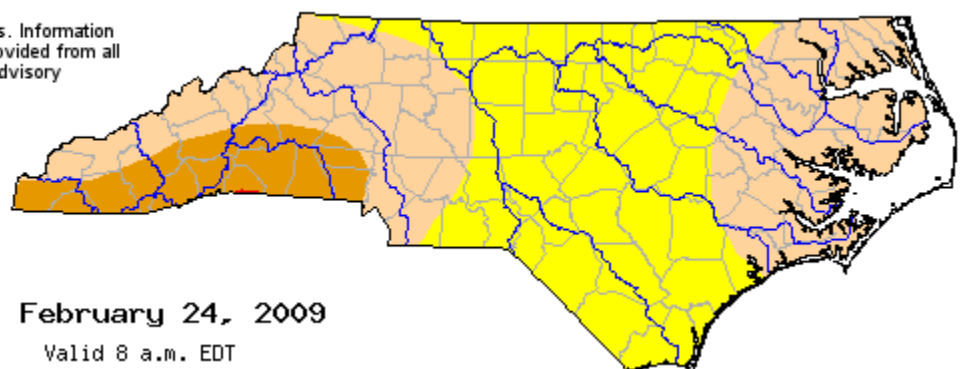
US Drought Monitor of North Carolina

<http://www.ncdrought.org/>

The U.S. Drought Monitor focuses on broad scale conditions. Information provided for North Carolina is relative to the information provided from all other states and the North Carolina Drought Management Advisory Council. Local conditions may vary.

Drought Classifications

- D0 - Abnormally Dry
- D1 - Moderate Drought
- D2 - Severe Drought
- D3 - Extreme Drought
- D4 - Exceptional Drought



WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 2008									
Location	Precipitation (Inches) ¹				Temperature (Degrees F.)				
	This Week		Year To Date		This Week				
	Total	Departure from Normal	Total	Departure from Normal	High	Low	Avg.	Departure from Normal	Degree Days
Asheville	0.86	-0.14	4.28	-3.61	65	16	40	-1	0
Aurora	0.63	-0.16	3.77	-3.62	68	25	43	-4	0
Beaufort	1.16	0.18	4.71	-4.70	66	24	46	-4	0
Bogue	0.88	-0.10	4.31	-5.10	67	24	45	-5	0
Burlington	0.80	-0.07	4.14	-3.09	66	17	42	-2	0
Castle Hayne	0.54	-0.44	3.59	-5.08	68	26	46	-3	1
Chapel Hill	0.66	-0.27	3.54	-4.49	69	21	44	0	0
Charlotte	1.03	0.09	4.74	-2.81	65	18	44	-4	0
Cherry Point	1.14	0.16	4.19	-5.22	69	22	44	-6	0
Clayton	0.78	-0.14	3.65	-4.10	68	23	43	-1	0
Clinton	1.12	0.26	4.20	-3.36	69	24	44	-3	0
Elizabeth City	0.39	-0.45	2.25	-5.43	71	19	43	-3	0
Fayetteville	1.64	0.75	4.20	-3.39	73	24	45	-2	0
Fletcher	0.04	-1.04	3.30	-5.34	64	15	39	-1	0
Franklin	1.50	0.22	9.78	-0.50	44	8	31	-10	0
Gastonia	1.10	0.12	5.09	-2.87	65	21	44	-2	0
Goldsboro	1.42	0.50	4.71	-3.44	69	20	42	-7	0
Greensboro	0.65	-0.14	4.15	-2.49	64	19	42	-2	0
Greenville	0.81	-0.05	3.12	-4.76	70	21	43	-4	0
Hatteras	2.30	1.30	5.84	-3.94	62	22	45	-3	0
Hendersonville	1.11	0.15	3.79	-3.70	54	10	32	-10	0
Hickory	0.93	-0.10	4.96	-3.14	64	21	42	-3	0
High Point	0.73	-0.17	3.94	-3.64	64	17	41	-5	0
Jackson Springs	1.23	0.30	4.05	-4.19	65	21	43	-3	0
Kenansville	0.70	-0.27	3.57	-5.37	70	21	44	-6	0
Jefferson	0.57	-0.41	4.06	-3.69	55	12	34	-2	0
Kenansville	0.91	0.09	3.41	-3.57	72	19	43	-5	0
Kinston	0.87	-0.05	4.26	-3.57	70	24	44	-5	0
Laurel Springs	0.73	-0.35	4.38	-4.04	56	13	34	-1	0
Lewiston	1.02	0.14	3.95	-3.70	68	21	42	-3	0
Lexington	0.57	-0.41	2.85	-4.99	64	19	41	-4	0
Lumberton	0.72	-0.15	2.02	-5.64	72	24	45	-2	0
Maxton	0.42	-0.52	2.76	-5.14	72	21	44	-4	0
Monroe	1.07	0.07	4.76	-3.76	64	22	44	-3	0
New Bern	0.40	-0.57	3.61	-4.96	70	20	43	-5	0
Oxford	0.56	-0.32	3.20	-4.28	66	22	42	-1	0
Plymouth	0.79	-0.11	3.01	-4.98	70	16	41	-7	0
RDU	0.76	-0.15	4.21	-3.28	72	23	45	0	0
Raleigh	0.42	-0.51	3.77	-4.26	67	23	43	-4	0
Reidsville	0.00	-0.88	0.00	-7.65	63	20	41	-2	0
Roanoke Rapids	1.01	0.16	4.25	-3.19	71	24	43	1	0
Rocky Mount	0.98	0.05	4.17	-3.44	70	20	42	-3	0
Salisbury	0.00	-0.92	0.00	-7.65	64	20	42	-1	0
Siler City	0.00	-0.95	3.49	-4.84	64	15	40	-5	0
Southport	0.66	-0.38	3.10	-6.36	65	25	46	-2	0
Waynesville	1.03	-0.16	6.31	-2.85	62	12	39	-1	0
Williamston	0.85	-0.02	3.56	-4.14	69	22	43	-4	0
Wilmington	0.67	-0.24	3.62	-4.56	70	25	46	-4	2
Winston Salem	0.63	-0.16	4.58	-2.06	64	17	41	-3	0

¹ Precipitation data considered preliminary

